Patent Claims

1. An organopolysiloxane composition which is cured by at least one rhodium compound and comprises:

5

- (A) compounds which have radicals containing aliphatic carbon-carbon multiple bonds,
- (B) organopolysiloxanes containing Si-bonded hydrogen atoms or, instead of (A) and (B)
- 10 (C) organopolysiloxanes which have SiC-bonded radicals containing aliphatic carbon-carbon multiple bonds and Si-bonded hydrogen atoms, and
 - (D) a rhodium catalyst, at least one being selected from the group consisting of compounds of the formula

15

$$[(R^2-C(=O)-O-)_2Rh]_2$$
 (III),

$$L(X)Rh(PR_3)_s$$
 (VI)

20 or

$$R^2$$
 R^2
 R^2
 R^2
 R^2

(V)

where

- R² can be identical or different and is a hydrogen atom, or monovalent unsubstituted or substituted hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 24 carbon atoms,
- R³ can be identical or different and is hydrogen, -OR⁴ or monovalent unsubstituted or substituted hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 24 carbon atoms,
 - R⁴ can be identical or different and is a hydrogen atom, or a monovalent unsubstituted or substituted hydrocarbon radical having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms,
- 10 X can be identical or different and is halogen or hydrogen,
 - L can be identical or different and is CO, acetylacetonate, 0.5 cyclooctadiene, 0.5 norbornadiene or P(R³)₃ and
 - **S** is 2 or 3.

5

- 2. The organopolysiloxane composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one rhodium compound is selected from the group consisting of (acetylacetonatocarbonyl(triphenylphosphane)rhodium(I), (acetylacetonato)dicarbonylrhodium(I), carbonylchlorobis(triphenylphosphane)rhodium(I),

 (acetylacetonato)(1.5 syclosetadiona)rhodium(I)
- 20 (acetylacetonató)(1,5-cyclooctadiene)rhodium(I), rhodium(II) acetate dimer, rhodium(III) acetylacetonate and rhodium(II) octanoate dimer.
- 3. The organopolysiloxane composition as claimed in claim 1 or 2,wherein a heat stabilizer is present as constituent F.
- The organopolysiloxane composition as claimed in claim 3, wherein at least one of the group which consists of cerium oxide, cerium octoate, cerium-siloxane compounds, iron oxide, iron octoate, iron-siloxane
 compounds, zinc carbonate, manganese carbonate and titanium oxide is selected as heat stabilizer.

- 5. A process for preparing organopolysiloxane compositions as claimed in one or more of claims 1 to 4 by mixing the rhodium catalyst (D) with a mixture composed of (A), if appropriate filler (E) and (F), and (B).
- 5 6. The process as claimed in claim 5 for preparing organopolysiloxane compositions by mixing the rhodium catalyst (D) with a mixture, wherein the mixture is made up as two-component system; in this case the first component comprises (A), (D) and if appropriate (E) and (F) and the second component comprises (B) and if appropriate also (A), (E) and (F).

10

15

- 7. The process as claimed in claim 6 for preparing organopolysiloxane compositions by mixing the rhodium catalyst (D) with a mixture, the mixture being made up as two-component system; in this case the first component comprises (A), (B) and if appropriate (E) and (F) and the second component comprises (D) and if appropriate (A), (E) and (F).
- 8. A molding or extrudate which is produced from organopolysiloxane compositions as claimed in one or more of claims 1 to 4.
- 20 9. The molding as claimed in claim 6, wherein it is a food mold.